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## Doctor may be struck off over high drug doses

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A doctor who prescribed "potentially hazardous" levels of drugs to elderly patients moved a step closer to being struck off today. Dr Jane Barton faced a catalogue of allegations about her treatment of 12 patients at the Gosport War Memorial hospital in Hampshire between January 1996 and November 1999. She admitted a series of allegations about dose levels of painkillers and opiates that could have sedative effects on patients. The General Medical Council said further evidence would be heard in order to decide whether Barton was guilty of serious professional misconduct.

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